

**Governor's P-20 Council
Education Alignment Committee Meeting
April 19, 2007 @ 2:00 p.m.
Meeting Notes**

P-20 Council Members Present: Dr. Karen Nicodemus, Dr. Douglas Olesen (telephonic), Dr. Jim Zaharis, Dr. David Curd, Ernie Calderon, Dr. Laura Palmer Noone (telephonic), and Bob Hagen (telephonic).

Others: Amanda Burke, Dr. Mary Vanis (telephonic), Dr. Janet McShane (telephonic), Christine Tell, Mimi Alkier, Dr. Molly Beauchman, Jeff Thies, Mary Knuck, Dr. Carlos Castillo-Chavez, Christy Farley, Stephanie Jacobsen, and Dr. Janet McShane.

Staff: Debra Raeder, Darcy Renfro, Lauren Kielsmeier, and Erin Hart.

1. Call to Order, Welcome & Introductions

Dr. Karen Nicodemus called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. Dr. Nicodemus welcomed members of the Alignment Team and invited everyone to introduce him or herself.

2. Review and Discussion: Alignment Institute

Staff provided information to the committee on the final details regarding the Alignment Institute. Information provided included: Membership List for the Alignment Team; Agenda for the activities of the Team on April 25th and 26th; the Achieve Inc. Alignment Guidebook – ADP Alignment Process and Ten Step Action Plan; and the suggested mathematics surveys for the roundtable discussions. Achieve has reviewed Arizona's math standards and will provide the Team with this information at the Institute. Christine Tell and Mimi Alkire from Achieve, Inc., participated in the meeting telephonically and provided an overview of what to expect at the Alignment Institute and the roundtable discussions. The Committee engaged Christine and Mimi in discussion regarding the Institute, anticipated work, and future plans. The Committee and the Alignment Team requested to receive any background information in advance that might be helpful in their preparation for the Institute.

3. Update and Discussion: Higher Education Feasibility Study

Staff provided an update on the progress of the RFP process for the Higher Education Feasibility study. The award was made on April 17th to NCHEMS for Tasks 1-3. Future discussions may be held with ASU to work with them separately on Task 4 in the future. The Committee engaged in discussion on the composition of the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) and their role in this process. It was clarified that the Technical Advisory Committee was created to provide relevant data from individual institutions for the study. Any policy recommendations or decisions that will be made regarding the study will be addressed with the Alignment Committee. The Technical Advisory Committee will meet on May 2nd.

4. Next Steps

Staff to provide background information to Alignment Team and Alignment Committee members. Staff requested information on others that should receive an invitation to the Roundtables and encouraged Committee members to invite people in their networks to attend.

5. Call to the Public

There were no requests from the public to address the Committee.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business or discussion, the meeting was adjourned at 3:25 p.m.